Sinclair
Broadcasting's
decision to force
their stations to
air an anti-Kerry
documentary days
before the election
is a clear example
of the dangers of
media consolidation.

It is also a move more consistent with fascism than with a democratic exchange of ideas.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Lies and half-truths such as are represented by the anti-Kerry program are NOT in the public interest. Sinclair should be forbidden from distributing its show, and its affiliates prevented from airing it. But this is not enough. The license granted Sinclair to broadcast should be revoked due to their abuse of the public trust.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.